

Alachua County Florida

A Proclamation

Declaring May 7th as a “National Day of Prayer” in Alachua County, Florida

Whereas, throughout the history of America, prayers have been lifted in every generation, seeking the Lord for direction, protection, and provision, so that God may be glorified and “Bless America,” resulting in a nation filled with His glory, grace, and goodness, as He has answered prayers for over 250 years; and

Whereas, from the first Pilgrims’ prayerful covenant with God in the Mayflower Compact to the Declaration of Independence, and reflected in every state constitution, God has been glorified, given reverence, and offered thanks—compelling the prayers of our Continental Congress that helped form our nation to continue flowing fervently across America in this generation, with a renewed personal and collective rededication to the Creator acknowledged in our Declaration, placing our “firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence”; and

Whereas, the National Day of Prayer is recognized by public law, established by the United States Congress in 1952 through a Joint Resolution signed by President Truman, and later amended in 1988 by Congress and President Reagan (Public Law 100-307), affirming that it is essential for us as a nation to pray, and directing the President of the United States to set aside and proclaim the first Thursday of May each year as a National Day of Prayer; and

Whereas, in our county and across America, the observance of the National Day of Prayer will be held on Thursday, May 7, 2026, with the theme, “Glorify God Among the Nations: Seeking Him in All Generations,” based on 1 Chronicles 16:24: “Tell of His glory among the nations, His wonderful deeds among all peoples.”

Now, therefore, through the authority vested in me by the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County, Florida, I do hereby proclaim May 7th, as “National Day of Prayer” in Alachua County, Florida.

Duly proclaimed this 7th day of May, A.D., 2026

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ALACHUA COUNTY FLORIDA

By: _____
Ken Cornell, Chair

ATTEST:

J.K. “Jess” Irby, Esq., Clerk